



General Assembly

February Session, 2000

***Raised Bill No. 5146***

LCO No. 851

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

***An Act Concerning The Statute Of Limitations For Prosecution  
Of The Crime Of Escape.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 54-193 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) There shall be no limitation of time within which a person may  
4 be prosecuted for a capital felony, a class A felony or a violation of  
5 section 53a-54d or 53a-169.

6 (b) No person may be prosecuted for any offense, except a capital  
7 felony, a class A felony or a violation of section 53a-54d or 53a-169, for  
8 which the punishment is or may be imprisonment in excess of one  
9 year, except within five years next after the offense has been  
10 committed. No person may be prosecuted for any other offense, except  
11 a capital felony, a class A felony or a violation of section 53a-54d or  
12 53a-169, except within one year next after the offense has been  
13 committed.

14 (c) If the person against whom an indictment, information or

15 complaint for any of said offenses is brought has fled from and resided  
16 out of this state during the period so limited, it may be brought against  
17 [him] such person at any time within such period, during which [he]  
18 such person resides in this state, after the commission of the offense.

19 (d) When any suit, indictment, information or complaint for any  
20 crime may be brought within any other time than is limited by this  
21 section, it shall be brought within such time.

22 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage and shall be  
23 applicable to any offense committed prior to, on or after said date.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To allow a person to be prosecuted at any time for committing the crime of escape in the first degree by eliminating the five-year statute of limitations for such prosecution.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*